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LAUNCHING OF SATELLITES BY ISRO
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Will the Minister of SPACE be pleased to state:

(a) whether India has setup a record in the World in launching 10 (ten) satellites into orbit by using a single vehicle from Sriharikota;

(b) if so, the details thereof;and

(c) the benefits that are likely to accrue as a result thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES & PENSIONS(SHRI PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN):

(a) Yes,Sir.

(b) India has set up a record in the world in successfully launching 10 (ten) satellites with a single launch vehicle.This launch took place on 28.4.2008 with PSLV in its 9th flight from Satish Dhawan Space Centre, Sriharikota.The satellites launched are Cartosat-2A and IMS-1 from India; NLS-4 (a Cluster of six satellites − CAN-X2, CUTE-1.7, DELFI-C3, AAUSAT-II, COMPASS-1 and SEEDS) and NLS-5 from Spaceflight Laboratory,University of Toronto, Canada; and RUBIN-8 from COSMOS International,Germany.

(c) Demonstration of this capability allows launching of multiple satellites with different objectives at the same time, thereby reducing the cost of launch and provide opportunities for many scientific and technological payloads.